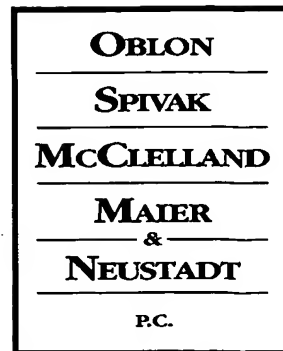




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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/089,083
Applicants: Takanori NISHIMURA, et al.
Filing Date: April 10, 2002
For: SERVER USE METHOD, SERVER USE
RESERVATION MANAGEMENT APPARATUS,
AND PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM
Group Art Unit: 2151
Examiner: DAFTUAR, S.K.

SIR:


Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

We have not included a check as we do not believe any fee is required. In the event there are any Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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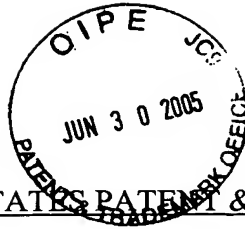
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In response to the Restriction Requirement stated in the Official Action dated June 1, 2005, Applicants in the above-identified patent application provisionally elect Group I, Claims 1-9, 18-21 and 26, drawn to sending a reservation requesting information to server from user terminal by using authentication method.

The Restriction Requirement asserts that the application contains claims to distinct inventions. However, MPEP §803 states the following:

If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions.

The claims of the present invention would appear to be of an overlapping search area.

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Accordingly, Applicants respectfully **traverse** the Restriction Requirement on the grounds that a search and examination of the entire application would not place a *serious* burden on the Examiner.

However, if the present Restriction Requirement is not withdrawn, examination on the merits of the Claims of Group I is believed to be in order, and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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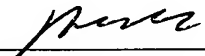
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